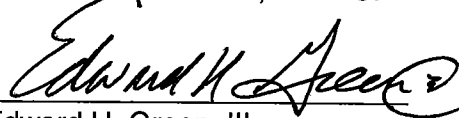


Claims 1-16 are pending. Claims 1-16 stand rejected. The rejections of claims 1-16 are appealed.

Respectfully submitted,

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